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To the Rever.d Mr Samuel Lisle 1. Middle Temple

30. June. 1721.

Rever.d & Dear Sir

I was in hopes to have seen You last Night at the Society, whether I carry'd the Letter and Copy Inclos'd, to Submit the latter to Your Abridgment as You should think fit, but Some of the Members having Seen it, So much Admir'd Mr. Sherman's Modesty and Humility therein Express'd, that they mov'd for Reading it Verbatim, which, being done in a full Society they were so pleas'd with the great Modesty and Charity of the Writer, that I was Order'd to desire You would not only permit a Copy Verbatim to be kept among the Society's Papers as an Illustrious Confirmation of all that You and other Worthy Persons have said upon the Subject of it, But even to Suffer Copies of it to be Communicated to their Graces the Arch Bps of Canterbury and York, and other Persons of Note who have it very much in their Power to promote or Discourage the Design according to the Satisfaction they have of the Feasibleness or Usefulness of it.

I hope You will Condescend to grant this Favour to a Design which owes it's Advancement very much to Your Advice and good Offices, and that You will with Your first Convenience let me know Your Pleasure.

The Society have Adjourn'd themselves to the first Thursday in October, and have in the mean time Vested the Committee with a Power to prosecute the Business of the Society provided as many Members are present at such Committee as are Requir'd to make a Quorum at the Society. I hope they will sometimes have the pleasure of Enjoying Your Company on Tuesday Mornings by 11. Clock at the Usual Place.

Pray give my most humble Service to Mr. Sherman and Mr. Soley when You write and be Assured I am

Rev.d Sir

Your most Obedient
humble Serv.t
H: N.

Mid: Temple
4. July. 1721.

To the Hon^ble
S^r Rob^t Dellenfield Bar^t
Post master Gen^ll at Leyden

Honord & Dear S^r.

I have now the pleasure of coveing to you a Specimen of the Character lately cast here by order of the Society in pursuance of the Design I have formerly mentiond to you, which you are desird to communicate to your learnd acquaintance & signifie their opinion of it. but the less you let it be known to those who are of the Church of Rome the better because there is good reason to believe they will do all they can to Shun a design wch in the consequence of it tends to detect the Corruption & forgeries by wch they carry on their Cause.

I am glad also to tell you that I have lately the Society
recd a letter from Aleppo by wch they may expect by y^e 1^st opportunity, the Copies they have desir'd to print from.

I beg you will permit me to trouble you with forwarding the enclosed under your Cover to the Post master of Utrich Utrecht. by wch you will add to y^r many obligations you have laid upon

I am S^r Y^r most obliged
humble Serv^t
H. N.

To Benjamin Everard Esq.
at Dublin

Middle Temple
4. July. 1721.

Dear Sir

Yesterday I rec'd your favour of the 24th. June, and that I might lose no time to obey your Commands I have herewith sent the Account of Schools published here 1720. and 1721. the former under Cover to Mr. Leighton and the Latter to Mr. Molesworth, which I hope may come to your hands time enough for the use you design them.

Our Society here adjourn'd the 29th. of last Month to the first Thursday in October, but have impower'd their Standing Committee who continue to meet Weekly on Tuesday Mornings, to transact the Business of the Society during the Vacation, provided four Residing Members are present at such Committee.

They met this day for the first time since the Society's adjournm't. and upon my acquainting them with the Respects of your Honble Society, mention'd in your Letter, I am Order'd to desire you would assure them of the Continuance of the High Esteem and Respect that all the Members of our Society have for them and their Undertakings.

Mr. Prior did me the Honour of a visit t'other day, when he calls again I shall shew him that part of your Letter which relates to him; He told me he should be ready to return in about 10 days or a fortnight's time and promis'd to take Care of a Letter to you from

Sir Your most humble Serv't

H. C.

Pray give my humble Service
to Mr. Travers, Mr. Knight,
Mr. Jean Maule, Mr. Ram,
& Brigad'r. Stearne &c. at Dublin
to whom I have the Honour of being known

Mid. Temple.
6. July. 1721

To Hy. D. A. Bp. of Cant.

My Lord

I have even wearied for a long time past solicited obtaining Hy. D. Tenison's Letter to the Treasury for His Majty's Bounty herewith send a Specimen of the new Proposals & Act cast by order of the Society for the Impression of the N. Test. &c. in Arabick, and am glad at length to acquaint

4 at Aleppo

acq.t ye Grace that Mr. Sherman is preparing
& Copies to be sent over by the first opportunity, So
the Society will defer printing till they arrive
but in the meantime all their diligence & interest they
can use for raising Benefaction will be necessary
for defraying the charge of Paper &c. they
cannot contract for and other expensive articles
wherein they very modestly depend on the
favour of ye. Graces good offices with My Lords
the Bishops.

One word from ye. Grace to My L.d Townshend
will facilitate obtaining His L.ps Letter to the
Treasury for the warr.t for His Maj.ties
Bounty of £00. The Society will be content
to stay for the Money till the warr.t but they
cannot apply in contention to it
with out for want of the warr.t
to His Royal Highness & other great Persons now
leaving the Town.

My Lord the Minerva Ship being gone I forwarded
ye. Graces Letter to Col. Rowe to
of Genoa and have since forwarded your
Letter to Professor Franck and am

My Lord ye. Graces
most obliged
humble Serv.t

To the Bp of Sodor & Man

Mid. Temple
7. July. 1721.

My Lord

I hope y.r L.p received the Society's Circular Letr. of the 23d. of Decr. last. I now humbly present your L.p with a specimen of the Arabick Types which the Society have caused to be new Cast, and am glad to tell your L.p that by a Letter of the 24th. of 7ber. last from Aleppo the Society are receiving by the first Ships there sent in expectation of authentick Copies of the Psalter & N. Test. in Arabick under the approbation of the present Patriarch of Antioch, who resides sometimes at Damascus and sometimes at Aleppo.

My Lord y.r friends here were in no small Pain for y.r L.p when they heard of the Plague being at the Isle of Man, I am glad it was not so and it was with great pleasure that they were convinced of the falsity of that Rumour.

May it please God to preserve all the British Dominions from so terrible a Calamity, though we have long since deserved so heavy a chastisement. I beg an interest in y.r Lordships Prayers & remain with the greatest respect,

My L.d y.r

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To the Right Reverend the
Lord Bishop of Ely.

Middle Temple
8br July. 1721

My Lord.

For fear Mr Ayerst's Indisposition has prevented his Writing to your Ldp to acknowledge your Charitable Benefaction of Ten Guineas to Augment the Number of French Common Prayer Books Sent to Paris, I have herewith Sent a Copy of his last Letter to me and Colo. Valogne's Letter of Advice relating to the Proceedings in Sorbonne. To which I have added Monsieur Vaillant's Receit for your Ldp's Benefaction in Prayer Books, of the Success of which I hope ere long to give your Ldp a good Account, if it pleases God they safe to Paris.

The Resolution of the Com.rs last Wednesday relating to Contracts has made many people easier than they were.

I believe your Ldp has the News Prints Sent to you and therefore I shall only add that I am with the greatest Respect

My Lord
Your Lordp's
most Obligd
humble Servt
H: N

My Lord

Mr Negri our Arabick Supervisor has entirely quitted himself of all the Faults mention'd in Mr Ayerst's Letter, as what were either in the Polyglott Matrices Originally, or the Fault of the Printer, both which the Society have Order'd to be rectify'd.

1721. Mr Newman Bought of Paul & Is: Vaillant

		£	s	d
May. 22.	76. Liturgies Anglicanes Grand pap.r 12mo B.d Gilt Back at 2s 2d	8	1	8
	12. Liturgies 8vo B.d in Calf Gilt Back at 3s 9d	2	5	—
	88	10	9	8

June 30. 1721

Recd of Mr Newman Ten pounds nine Shillings & Eight pence in full of this Bill and all other Accots & Demands wee say Recd by us

Paul & Isaac Vaillant

NB. This was My Lord Bp of Ely's generous Benefaction for Augmt. the Number of Fruth Com. Pr. Books Sent to Paris by Order of the Society for Promoting Xtian Knowledge.

To the Rev.d Mr. Sam.l Lisle

Middle Temple
12. July. 1721

Reverend Sir

You was propos'd for a Residing Member before the Adjourn.t of the Society and according to the power vested in their Committee, they yesterday unanimously chose You a Residing Member, and I was Order'd humbly to Acquaint You with it, in hopes You may be pleas'd to accept of this Choice and give Your Company as often as it may Suit with Your Convenience.

You have a long time entituld Your self to this Acknowledgment from the Society by the many good Offices You have done to their Undertaking in Palestin &c.a.

I have herewith Sent S.r Robert Sutton's Opinion about Conveying the New Testament & Psalter over Land, which I wrote for to Paris before the Society had Your Opinion, and at the same time sent the Specimen of Our Arabick Letters before Mr. Sherman's prudent Caution came to hand, however I hope Good may come it.

It is Submitted to You whether You will take S.r Robert's Advice for sending for the Psalter only by Land that we may have Something to employ the Press and Mr. Negri till the New Testam.t &c.a arrive by Sea —

Mr. Negri has acquitted himself of all the Faults mention'd in the Remarks upon the Decalogue, which I hear is send also for Your Satisfaction.

Mr. Jaques the Letter Founder brought Yesterday to the Committee 48. New Letters besides the Crimenals which he has made to render the Polyglott still more perfect.

Pleas to return Mr. Negri's Letter when You have perus'd it to

Sir

Your most Obedient
Humb.le Serv.t
H. N.

My most humble Service
to Mr. Sherman and Mr. Selby

I thank You for permitting me to send a Copy of Mr. Sherman's Letter to such as may have Power and Inclination to promote the Design, but I have not sent it to the Archbp. of Canterbury, presuming You may have Communicated the Letter already to His Grace, but if You have not done it, I will send a Copy also to him if You Approve of it.

To My D. Townshend

Mid. Temp.

12. July. 1721

My D.

I take leave humbly to re-
mind y^r L^p of ~~speaking to his obtaining~~
~~the Letter upon the~~ the favour you was
pleas'd to give M^r Slute & me hopes of
relating to ~~the 500. l. of~~ His Majesty's bounty
of 500.
towards the Impression of the N. Test. &c.^ in
Arabick, if we ~~can~~ might have His Maj^ties warr.^ for
the present the Society will ~~be content to~~
Stay for y^e Money till ~~it can be had~~
~~the it be~~ ~~got of~~ the Treasury may better
spare it. ~~They~~ may do ~~the~~ ~~shall be obliged to accomp~~
~~the de~~ have Letters from Aleppo ^ lately rec^d a
~~Society~~ ~~of the dispatching them~~ that Coretty
shall be sent them ^ ~~proper~~ Copies
in MSS. for the Impression ^ by the 1^st. conveyance, and
therefore they are very desirous to have all
other materials of Types & Paper &c.^
~~things~~ ready before they arrive that nothing
may be wanting to prosecute the design so
as if possible to be accomplished during the Life
of the present Patriarch of Antioch who
~~will be~~ is very well disposed to ~~favour~~ encourage
the ~~the~~ Copies when finished among the Christian ^ Churches
under his ^ care.

I am

My Lord

y^r L^p

most dutiful
humble Ser^t

To Dr. Thatford Canon of
Christ Church Oxford.

Middle Temple
13. July. 1721.

Reverend Sir.

I have taken Care to bespeak the Books you desird by Dr. Pelton, of the Charges of which, You shall be advis'd by the Post when they are sent, and any other Commands You have for me of that kind shall be always most readily Obey'd.

The Bearer Mr. Negri goes hence to Oxford to pass a few Months partly for his health and partly to inform himself what Arabick Manuscripts there are in the Bodleian which may be proper for him to Transcribe for the Service of the Society in the Design they are engag'd, and if it is requested You would be pleas'd to recommend him where it may be necessary for obtaining that Permission.

The Society have sent to Mr. Sherman a Learned English Merchant at Aleppo for Correct Copies under the Approbation of the present Patriarch of Antioch whose Authority for recommending them when printed is very great in all the Eastern Countries, but those Copies will be too Scarce to put into the Hands of the Printer, and therefore it is proper if that Mr. Negri (to save time in transcribing them when they do come which may perhaps be in Cold Weather and short days Mr. Sherman having Signify'd that they shall be sent by the 1st Conveyance) should make a Copy of the most Correct Manuscripts of the Psalter and New Testament he can find, which being compar'd with the other Copies when they arrive may require only here and there a word to be alter'd in the Margin.

Mr. Negri has taken with him Subsistence to Saturday the 5th August at a Guinea a Week which the Society Allow him beside Travelling Charges and if he should after that have Occasion for more Money and You please to advance it to him, taking his Bill on the Reverend Mr. Shute our Treasurer for the same it will be a Favour thankfully owned, and pray let the Bill express to what time the Money he takes is to Subsist him. I know You will Excuse this Freedom and therefore I have taken it being

Reverend Sir

Your most obed.
humble Servt. H. N.

Please to present the Bearer with my Duty to my Lords the Bps of Chester & Bristol and Dr. Mayplestone who are Members of the Society.

To D.r Stratford
at Xt. Ch.

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Mid. Temple
18. July. 1721.

Rev.d S.r according to your desire signify'd by D.r Pellyn the books ~~above~~ undermentioned were sent yesterday by W. Bartlet Car.r p.d here at y.e Swan by Holborn Bridge.

I took leave last week to recommend to your favour M.r Negri the Native of Damascus who is gone hence to reside a few weeks at Oxford. His Grace the Arch.B.p of Cant. subscrib'd last week Twenty Guineas to the Impression of the N. Test. &c.a in Arab. and my Lords the B.ps of London and Winchester have each of them promis'd to contribute the like Sum. These contributions will make us about 400. l. in bank, but a far greater Sum is requisite to accomplish the Undertaking, perhaps among your Rich & charitable Acquaintance, some may be dispos'd to join their help in promoting a Design so much for the Honour of God & the British Nation.

The Society have the Promise of 500. l. from His Majesty towards it and when they have y.e proper Warr.t for it His Royal Highness will be attended likewise for His favour towds it.

I am with great respect

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2:2:6

Rev.d S.r Y.r most obed.t S.t

D.r Pellyn can give me directions to send y.e Society's Messenger to him for the money.

To Mr. John Wilson Schoolmaster
at Bristol

Middle Temple
22. July. 1721.

Sir

I Receivd Your Letter of 3. of last Month in due time and communicated it to y^e Society, who in cases of this Nature are carefull to avoide precipatation, and gave directions to inquire Strictly into Your Character which has prov'd very much to your Advantage, and You are particularly beholden to to Mr. Justice Haynes for a full and Ample Account of your Abilities and Inclinations, upon which the Society have resolv'd to recommend You to the Court of Directors of the E. India Comp^a and in Order to it I have been with the Secretary when they may be attended, and also to get an Answer to the Queries You made.

As to the first I am glad your Wife has overcome the Difficulties of Encountering a Serious Voyage and it will every day becomes more familiar to her after She has once lost sight of Land.

As to the other Queries about Bread &c^a there is very good Wheat in the Country and such that will make Bread every day; but it will not keep till next day.

European Victuals of all kind is to be had ever at Bombay; there is no Cheese made in the Country, But enough of it is brought from Europe; there is Butter made there and for ought I can learn plenty enough.

The Allowance Mr. Wooley told You is what they make to their Chaplains, there being no Schoolmaster yet Establish'd in their Service, That at Fort St. George being maintained very handsomly by the private Charity of the Governour and Merchants on the place.

Mr. Wooley is afraid Your Writing may be Objected to, tho' there are many Ill Schoolmasters that can't write so well here and yet teach their Scholars to write better. For the rest please to be referr'd to my next from

Your very humble Serv^t.

H. A.

To the Rever.d S.r George Wheler
Prebendary at Durham.

Middle Temple
27. July 1721.

Reverend Sir

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Paid to Mr. Shute for a years Subscrip.n £1 9

Reverend S.r

Middle Temple
13. July. 1721.

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I have taken care to bespeak by D.r Pellyn the books you desir'd, ~~might be sent to you~~, of the charge of which, you shall be advis'd by the Post when they are sent, and any other commands you have for me of that kind shall be always most readily obey'd.

The Bearer W.m Negri goes hence to Oxford to pass a few weeks, partly for his health and partly to inform himself what Arabick MSS there are in the Bodleian which may D.r Stratford at Oxford.

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~~that~~ you would be pleas'd to recomend
him ~~to the Revd. Mr. Vicechancelor and~~
where ~~else~~ it may be necessary for
obtaining that ~~Privilege~~ Permission.
~~by mistake~~
The Society have sent to M.r Sherman
a Learned English Merch.t at Aleppo
for ~~authentick~~ correct Copies under the appro-
-bation of the present Patriarch of
Antioch whose authority, for recomending them, is very great
in all the Eastern Countries, but
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put into the hands of the printer, and
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find, which ~~may~~ being compar'd with
y^e other Copies when they arrive may
require only here & there ~~two~~ a
word to be alter'd in the Margin.
~~And if after all it shd happen~~
~~to be labour in vain the good~~
~~Man is diverted and the Society~~
~~will have the satisfaction of knowing~~
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Should After the Date have occasion for
more Money, please to advance it to
him, taking his Bill on the Rev.d Mr
Flute our Treasurer ~~expecting~~ for the
same, and it will be a favour that will be thankfully owned and
let the Bill express to what
time the money he takes is to subsist
him. I know you will excuse this
~~freedom & with pleasure do any good~~
~~office~~ that I have taken ~~this~~
~~Freedom~~ being

Rev.d Sr

Please to present the Bearer
with my Duty
~~him~~ to My Lords the
Bps of Chester and
Bristol, & Dr Wagstaff
who are Members of the
Society.

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To the Rev.d Mr. Wm. Aspret
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Middle Temple
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You please to be Silent among those who are Popishly affected, concerning the Undertaking, perhaps it may be best; to avoid giving an Alarm to their Missions abroad who will be vigorous to make all the Opposition they can to the Success of any thing of this Nature from a Protestant Country.

The Bp. of Winchester is to be Succeeded by the Bp. of Norwich, and the Bp. of Norwich by Dean. Green of St. Martin's and Dr. Green by Dr. Wilcox.

I don't yet hear of the Arrival of the Protestants that Sailed the 6. of last Month N. S. from la Rochelle.

I shall be glad to hear of Your Progress at Cambray whether I suppose You will be ère long going and Assure You that I am

Dear Sir,

Your most Obliged humble Servt.

H. N.

The Arch Bp. of Cantorbury is in Dorsetshire

To the R. Hon.ble Spencer Compton Esq.r Speaker &c.

Lincs. Temple. 5. Aug. 1721.

S.r The Subscription Book

I send the of Subscriptions to the N. Test. &c. in Arabick wch I had the Honour to put into your hands t'other day being in too rough a condition to be laid before His Royal Highness I have herewith sent a Copy of it.

My Lord Stanhope gave hopes of obtaining 500 l. from his Majesty to the Undertaking, and My L.d Townshend is pleased to approve the Design so as to continue the same hopes, but I dare not insert His Majesty for such a Bounty till I have his Warr.t

W.m Sherman's Letter from Aleppo I thought might be acceptable as a piece of History containing what has been

already signify'd
been ~~set forth~~ by several Letters in Print.
I take the Liberty only of acquainting you that
he is a learned Merch.t who has made Letters
for 30. years part of Religion
in these parts his Business as well as Trade.
Their Royal Highnesses &c.a as below.
~~30. Years part.~~ I am

Hon.d S.r Yr. most ~~obed.t~~ obliged
humble Serv.t
H. N.

Their Royal Highnesses
have had Copies of the
Proposal some time
laid before them.

To Mr. John Wilson Master
of a Charity School at Bristol

Middle Temple
5.th Aug.t 1721.

Sir

I have waited on some of the Directors of the East India Comp.a
and they seem to be very well satisfy'd with the Character given of
You, and are of Opinion it may be convenient for you to enter into
their service at Christenmas next, because the Ship that must carry
You over will not depart till 3. or 4. Months ~~time~~ after, but of this
You will be more fully informed when the Court have had Leisure to
Consider of the Matter, and perhaps the Society's recommendation
that You may enter into their service at Michaelmas in Order to Learn
the Portuguese &c.a may be of weight with them.

As to other Matters relating to Dyet &c.a for your Wife, I'm well
assur'd every thing will be according to yours and your Wife's desire, as
You will understand when I have time to Transcribe a Letter on that Subject
which I have received from the Revd. Mr. Stevenson in Norfolk to one I wrote him
on purpose for your Satisfaction. In short it is reckoned the most
healthful & plentiful place in y.e Companys service. I pray God direct you
in your Choice of this or any other Enterprize for his Glory. I am

Sr
Your very humble Serv.t

My humble Service to
Mr. Hayes and
Mr. Trigg.

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To His Grace the L.d A. Bp of Cant. Mid. Temp
21. Aug. 1721.

My Lord

Mr. Churchill telling me y.r Grace was expected at Lambeth last night I take the liberty of humbly presenting you Grace with an Acco.t of the progress of the affair of the Arab. N. Test.

I am first humbly to give y.r Grace the Thanks of the Society for your good Offices with the Bp of London & the late Bp of Winchester for encouraging the undertaking.

According to y.r Grace's Order of the 12.th of last Month all the Bps in Town have been humbly applyd to & acquainted with y.r Grace's Example therein & their Ldps have given hopes of favouring the same when they have consulted their Brethren.

The enclosed Letter having been communicated to the Society they have agreed to appear printing after any Copies that can be found in Engld in hopes those more

also this Letter 21. Aug.

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~~himself the trouble of making~~ in hopes that
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& there ~~when~~ by a word in the Margin when
they come to be compared with the Copies
sent from Aleppo, which will be so too
~~voluminous~~ various to be ~~sent~~ put into the hands
of the Printer; ~~and~~

My Lord, the Benefactions including Your
Grace's & Bp.s of London & Winchester's favours
now amount to upwards of 400 l.

My L.d Townshend still gives hopes of
the ~~Q.s~~ King's Bounty of 500. l. and
M.r Compton the Speaker has promis.d
to ask ~~his~~ Royal Highness's favour.

I am My L.d Y.r Grace's

Will it be proper for me to
wait upon L.d Islay now or
a while hence ~~to~~ at his
coming ~~with~~ of his father signify
Y.r Grace's Comands therein
shall be obey'd.

To the Rev.
D. Willis

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Mid. Temple
18. Aug. 1721.

Rev. Sr. The Case of the 2. African Princes is truly worthy of ~~the~~ His Grace the Archbp ~~and~~ ~~knowledge &~~ ~~it is so long~~ compassion. ~~To let you into the~~ as to the first part of their Story I have here inclos'd a Memorandum that Col. Earle ~~sent drew up & their Case gave me last Summer~~ ~~who took~~ ~~drew up last Summer~~ ~~drew up at their Case~~ good ~~case~~ taken them off the Rocks at Cape Corrientes, ~~the Island of Cuba.~~ It was several Months that the Colonel Solicited the East India Comp.a to take them into their Protection. Lago the Native Country being within the Bounds of that Company's Charter; ~~but as they said~~ ~~out of the Bounds of their Trade and~~ after some time the Comp.a gave the Colonel 500.l. for the care he had taken of 'em & desir'd him to continue his civilities ~~to them~~ till they could think of means to send 'em home. About April last the Company sent for the Col. & the Princes, to tell 'em that they would send 'em home in one of their Bombay Ships, but that they must be content first to go to Bombay & then be brought back in a Coaster to Lago, which is near over against the Island of Madagascar. ~~of the Country~~; this Proposal the Colonel objected to as going very much round about and would subject ~~endanger~~ the Princes, to too many Casualties besides hazard of their ~~health~~ in passing so many Climates, and therefore he proposed to the Comp.a if he could fall into any expedient for sending the Princes home directly without charge to the Comp.a he hop'd they would not disapprove of it. To which the Company it seems consented. Upon which the Colonel being known to ~~the~~ His Grace the Duke of Chandos he prevail'd with His Grace to recommend the Princes to the African Comp.a for Protection which His Grace did and they

they are now supported at their charge.
Capt.n Hill I know very little of having never seen him
but once when I call'd on the Prince while they were
in Col. Towgood's hands, and he was then soliciting
to be employ'd by the E. India Comp.a to carry
the Prince home having in his Ramble, Logo
formerly seen at their Court by
a Deluge
his occasion's very enquiring him
in a private Capacity which I could not find to be any other than that
however but his character, of a Rattle & a Rake
which I suppose
did not write spoil'd his addresses to the E. India
Comp.a But since himself recommended to
the Duke of Chandos & by his Grace to
the African Comp.a who have thereupon
to carry the Prince home & have
desir'd him, for that end & put them
into his hands, till they can think how to vend
'em.

Such a Guardian must give a very odd
Idea of Christianity & the British Nation to
those Strangers & their Countrymen, and therefore
if his Grace it will be worthy of His Grace My
interpose his good offices with
L.d Arch B.p to represent this matter to the
Govern.t that they may be put into other
hands.

You will wonder how under these circumstances
they have been able to pick up any knowledge
of Christianity, for the first 6. months that they
were in London they were kept like Prisoners
at the Spread Eagle from in Grave Lane Street
being suffer'd to go abroad where they saw none
but those who by Chance found 'em out and there
it was that D.r Oldfield a Dissenting Min.r (to his
Honour be it spoken) took occasion on 'em &
was at the expence of encouraging a Church Man
to go daily to teach 'em to Read, & by degrees to
proper
instruct in

instruct ~~inform~~ 'em in the Christian Religion. ~~The~~ Our Society were soon after this inform'd of the case of these Princes but finding 'em as it were immured & seldom permitted to visit our Places of Pub. Worship by those who had the care of 'em, it was to no purpose to propose a ~~methodical~~ solemn Institution of them, and therefore they ~~contented themselves~~ only gave them each of ~~a Catechism~~, A New Testam.t & a Comp.t Prayer Book, ~~with the preamble of~~ with a Catechism, and ~~I was ordered to provide~~ Bibles & were likewise ~~order'd to be~~ ~~taught~~ presented to them before they left Engl.d if they ~~were any where~~ should be able to make use of them. The Man that D.r Bloxam recommended it seems was entertain'd by the African Company so that instead of visiting the Prince daily, he was now with 'em & to go with 'em to their own Country, but it seems Capt.n Hill or some friend of his ~~the person they are now with~~ has got him discarded ~~and~~ that the Prince may have no body wear 'em to hinder their learning to Swear & Curse &c.a ~~at the Captain Jones and take other liberties not allow'd of~~

It will be a happy Providence to these Strangers that they have fallen into His Grace's Neighbourh.d if it prove the means of their being more effectually instructed, and sent home in a manner suitable to ~~more fit~~ the Honour of the Nation, and the Religion we Profess.

My humble Duty to His Grace & believe me to be

Dear S.r Yr

W. Clifford at Charles Town in Carolina.

Middle Temple
25. Aug. 1721.

S.r

The Bearer Will.m Williams I understand is recomended to you for a ~~Servant~~ Service and being the Son of a very honest worthy Gent. in my Neighbourhood I am glad of the opportunity of saluting you by him, and also to desire your good offices for disposing of him to such a service as many ~~towards him for~~ cultivating his Mind with that knowledge which will ~~not only~~ and make him wise for this world ~~but~~ the next too. This is what his father & all his friends here earnestly wish, & from the character they have of W.r Clifford they doubt not but he will do his utmost to gratifie them herein, and that you would from time to time & signify what improvem.t he makes in the Service, you recomend him to, ~~that his father will~~ as a matter of Joy & comfort to his father, and what will put him upon measures of blessing his Son with some advantages for his encouragem.t in case he demeans himself with that duty & respect ~~to yr. Service~~ as 'tis hoped he will.

I shall be glad to hear of yr. welfare as often as it may be with your conveniency, & the State of Religion & Trade in the parts where you live, and that the late consultations in Carolina are happily composed under the present Govern.t

I am Sir Yr. most humble

P. S.

Dr Bray is well & am at his Living in Norwich.

P.S. Pray in what condition are y^e Bahama Affairs? How came M^r. Rogers to quit y^m before another Gov^r. arriv'd. They say he is return'd to Engl^d. but if so he condemns himself.

We have wanted you very much for the R. Indies since you left us.

Please to accept the books herewith sent, as ~~consideration lately published~~

NB. The King's & the Missionaries Letters
W. Stevenson's Letter
Arab. Letters. &c^a.

To the Rev^d. D^r. Waddington
Fellow of Eaton Colleg^e
at Eaton

Middle Temple
29. Aug^t. 1721

Rev^d. Sir,

If I had sooner known of it, I should have sooner congratulated You upon your being made a Fellow of Eaton Colleg^e, not for your Own sake only, but for the Sake of the Publick, which is always better Serv'd when the Honoble & Profitable Preferments are Confer'd on the best and most Publick Spirited Men.

The Society have long desir'd to see a Charity School set up at Eaton where there are abundance of Poor Children that want such an Advantage and where perhaps there is no Parish in England enjoys greater Advantage for Erecting such a School than Eaton does, where there is so great a Resort of Gentry, and even Quality too most parts of the Year.

Upon which Consideration it may be wonder'd how so useful a Foundation has been so long delayed, and if the good Offices of some one Publick Spirited Person to set it a going, be the only thing wanting, I am this day Order'd by the Society to Signify to you that they desire that favour from D^r. Waddington that he would recommend such an

Undertaking

Undertaking to the Rev.d Provost and Fellows of Eaton, and if they are pleas'd to countenance it, there is reason to believe after their Example there will be no want of Subscriptions to support it.

If you want any Books or Papers for this Purpose You know where you may command them, and it will be not a little Pleasure to the Society to hear that you don't decline doing this good Office for the Poor at Eaton.

I am Rev.d Sir,

Your most Obedient
humble Servant
H. N.

To My Lord Townshend

My Lord.

Mid. Temple
30. Aug. 1721.

I take leave humbly to re=
=mind y.r Lordship of recommending ~~the Affair of the Arab. N. Test. & Psalter~~ to
His Majesty's Royal ~~Command~~ Encouragement
the Proposal for printing a New Test. & Psalter in
=y.r ~~as soon as it suits with y.r Lordships~~ ~~the Arabick~~ in the Arabick
as it is a Design which will bring
glory to His Majesty's Reign and ~~not a little~~ to y.r Lordships ~~wise~~ Administration
I perswade ~~myself~~ this opportunity will be forgot
that you will ~~not~~ be forgot
this importunity & ~~persist with~~ M.r Walpole &
the Lords of the Treasury to concurr in promoting it. ~~which~~

I am My Lord.

To Mr. Rob.t Powel Attorney
at Law at Hilton Glamorg.

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Midle Temple
31. Aug.t 1721.

Sir,

I Receid Your Favour of the 18. Curr.t and took the first Opportunity of Communicating it to Our Friend Mr. Boehm whose Modesty is very much Offended at the high Compliments You make, nor will he hear of any Dedication made to him. He has taken a great deal of pains to Transcribe and Digest Your Thoughts into such a Method as may recommend them to the Publick and therefore I would avoid any thing that may disgust him. He has not as yet finished it, being able to work upon it only now and then at Leisure hours, but I have prevaild with him to permit the first part of it to be sent to the Press, and when a Sheet is Compos'd before it is wrought off I intend to send You a Proof of it, that You may Signifye Your Approbation or Disapprobation.

As they are Religious Meditations upon Subjects of the highest Concern for men to know, I have Order'd the Printer to compose it with a Beautifull Large Character that it may be accomodated to the reading of Old as well as Young Persons; And to Print it on a very good Paper in a pocket Volume, so that it may be either Stichd or Bound as the Buyer Pleases.

If Mr. Stradling lives near You and would permit my Sending the Proofs under Cover to him, it would save some Charge to the Undertaking. As to the Dedication, what if You draw up a few Lines to Your Neighbours and Countrymen to bespeak their Perusal of what You bequeath to them as a Legacy of Spiritual things, tending to adorn their Minds by the Grace of God with profound Humility in themselves, but with exalted Thoughts of that Adorable God Who is Condescended to regard Man in his fallen State. Something to this purpose may perhaps recommend the Book and the Perusal it self, which I dar say will render the Christian Instructions of the Author acceptable to the Reader. I remain

Sir,

Your most humble Servant,

H. A.

To His Grace the Arch.bp
of Canterbury at ~~Lambeth~~
Croydon Hon.s Surry

Middle Temple
9. Septem.r 1721

My Lord,

The I can't give Your Grace an Accot. yet, of the Success of my Application to my Lord Townshend, I hope it may not be long first, Especially if Your Grace is pleas'd to put him in mind of Dispatching his Majesty's Warrant for His Bounty to the Arab. ~~&c~~ &c.

My Lord Chancellor was pleas'd this Week to Send to the Society 20. Guineas towards it, and Mr.s Hibbert a Dissenting Gentlewoman at Hampstead sent 10. Guineas, and Mr. Jones a Quaker in Pensylvania has sent £20 a Broad Piece for the same Purpose.

My Lord, The African Princes are very thankfull for Your Grace's Good Offices in getting them remov'd from Capt.n Hill to Capt.n Sherow in Burr Street ch.r 1. To which place I hear they were remov'd the first Curr.t by Order of His Grace the Duke of Chandois. If there were any Clergyman in that Neighbourhood that would be so kind as to visit them now and then to impart his Advice to Em on the Reasonableness and Excellency of Christianity there's no one but would be pleas'd to obey any Commands from Your Grace on that head, and I am sure the Society would with Pleasure furnish any Books that may be necessary in the Course of their Instruction. I don't hear when they are to be sent away, but if they don't go Suddenly there is a Learned & Ingenious Melancholy German Mons.r Kaufman who serv'd as a Mathematical Master on Board ~~a Turkish~~ one of the Men of Warr in Sr Geo: Byng's Squadron at Sicily who offers to go a Volunteer with the Princes to their Own Country to instruct them in what he is Capable, if he may have any Encouragement for only as to bear his Expence, and to be at Liberty to return in the Ship, if he don't like the Country.

If His Grace the D. of Chandois knows of him I doubt not but he might have a proper Protection and Encouragement, nor do I believe there's 12. Men in Europe with his Learning that would go such a Voyage upon such easy Terms as he would

I am My Lord Your Grace's most Obed.t Humble Serv.t
H: N.

To My D. A. Bp of Yorke 76

Mid. Temple

12. Sep. 1721.

My Lord

I have delay'd ~~answering~~ the Honour of your Grace's ~~letter~~ favour & delay'd acknowledging it to obey yr. order for sending an Accot. of the List's ~~set up in the Diocese of York~~ ~~sent by the Society for that Charity~~ with an Addition of one ~~not to the Number~~ lately sent, by order of the Trustees, or rather Founders of those Charity Schools for to my knowledge the Charity is chiefly out of their own pockets: ~~which we are followed~~ the places to wch they have been sent are

1. Tinsley
2. Bolsterstone
3. Wentworth
4. Mask
5. Burlington
6. Tadcaster
7. Skelton
8. St. Leonards in New Malton.

I rec'd by ye Last Post a Letter from Mr. Walmsley of New Malton signifying that he had received the Library sent thither & ~~the~~ ~~received~~ sent ~~to your Grace~~ a Copy of ye Catalogue ~~of the Books sent thither~~ to your Grace as the Act of Parliament directs. I cannot better account for the progress of the Contributions to the Arabick Psalter than by sending a List of them & believe your Grace will be pleas'd to find ~~they~~ them so much advanced considering the time we ~~have been~~ ~~are fallen into for soliciting~~ ~~such a work~~ ~~so considerable as the Undertaking~~ ~~but little with Land~~. ~~The Society did not at~~ the Dean of York & his friends make a Noble figure in the Accot. & it is hop'd other Cathedrals when they have consider'd of it, ~~the~~

and are informed of this generous Example may contribute in pro-portion to their abilities.

The Society have purchased a new Font of Arabick Types from the Polyglott Printing Office of which a specimen is sent herewith. By the advice of M. Negri of Damascus it has been improved in above 40 Instances besides the Numerals to render it still more adapted to the Gust of the Arabians. The Society have by that means received the Copies from Aleppo promised in M. Sherman's Letter, of which I send also herewith a Copy, that the Fund for establishing this Impression will be so far advanced as to enable them to begin printing off at least the Number mentioned in the Proposal.

In the mean while during the mild weather M. Negri is at Oxford transcribing the best Copies he can find in the Bodleian, for the use of the Printer after they have been compar'd & made to agree with those expected from Aleppo, which will be too curious to be exposed to the common use of the Press.

My Lord I imagine after your Grace has read M. Sherman's Letter you will be desirous to know his Character & how it came to pass that so useful a Man came into that part of the world. To which I cannot better answer your Grace than in M. Lisle's own words in a Letter I recd from him last Year an Extract of which is herewith sent, and which prov'd the ground of the Society's application to M. Sherman. In all which the Providence of God is very remarkable the Society & M. Sherman seem to have acted in concert though they knew nothing of one another's intentions.

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The Society did not know there was any translation in the world more exact than that in the Polyglott, when they first engag'd in this undertaking and W. Sher=man did not know what a great Work this 30. years labours might be made more usefull to the world than by presenting now and then a single Copy in Mss to a Patriarch, till Providence when his work was ready, opened a Door to usher it into the world and who is to Supervise the work by sd. Providence directed W. Negri a great Master in Arabick to come to Engld. for his health after he thought himself fix'd for life at the University of Hall in Saxony;

When one reflects upon such incidents it affords not a little pleasure to those that most distant parts of the world know themselves under the conduct of a benign Providence with so much harmony as if all things were carry'd on by mutual concert. but I forget who I am speaking to and begg your Grace will excuse this digression being with the greatest respect

My Lord

Yr. Grace's most obed.

humble Servt.

H. N.

I cannot conclude this long Letter without doing justice to some great men who have been pleas'd to countenance this work. My L. Stamhope before his death & since him My L. Townshend has promised to procure a considerable Bounty from the King towards it, & when that is agreed upon the Leaders of the Ho. of Com. are promised to move in favour towards it. I humbly beg your Grace to [illegible] the Bp. of Lond. to remain with [illegible]

My Lord if I may be admitted to lay my humble Service may be acceptable to the Dean of York & his Bro. I know your Grace will forgive the liberty of subjoining this little testimony of my Respects to them.

To W. Woolley Secry
at the India House

Mid-Temple
13. Sept. 1721

Sr. I have been several times to wait on you with the enclosed but either you was very busy or laid up with the Gout so that I could not with decency trouble you.

According to the desire of the Directors the Society have looked out for an experienced School Master to be sent to Bombay & one that they recommended some years ago to a School at Bristol has been recommended by W. Hayner a Justice of Peace at Bristol & W. Prigg a Bristol Gent. belonging to the Temple, been recommended to them as you will see by the Copies of their Letters herewith sent. Upon consideration of which the Society have agreed to recommend W. John Wilson to the Hon.ble Court of Directors as a fit Person for a Charity Schoolmaster at Bombay, and if they please to signify their acceptance of him the Society will upon notice thereof take care to get his place supply'd by another Master at the same time he quits the School he is now in. If the Court are pleased to entertain him in their Service at Michas next, though it be 4. or 5. months before he can be sent to Bombay, yet as it will give him an opportunity of learning Portuguese & the Theory of the art of Navigation & some other improvements to make him still more capable of serving the Company when it shall please God he arrives in India. It is humbly submitted to their consideration, by their &c I. Sr. Your most humble Servt.

I. N. Sir

To Mr. Wisdom, Mercer Coat
Treasr. of the Charity School.
in Westminr.

Mid. Temple
22. Sep. 1721.

Sr. The enclosed ~~will inform you what~~ is from the Revd. Mr. Boehm Chaplain to the late Prince George of Denmark and now of His Majesty's Germane Chappel at St. James whose Character of the Bearer & her Husband you may very safely rely upon ~~and~~ as to their being persons religiously disposed, and such as will be very carefull of any Child committed to their care according to the intent of the Royall Charitable Govrs. of your Hospital. ~~The~~ Beager will inform you what Boy her Husband is desirous if you approve of it to take upon tryal to learn him his Trade of a Tailor, and if it should happen, that the Child or they should not like to be bound to each other, that you would be pleased to recommend some other Child as you shall think proper for such a Service, in granting which favour you will very much oblige

Sr. Yr. most humble Servt.

H. N.

To Mr. Thos. Thornicraft
Schoolmaster at Woburne
Bedfordsh.

Abd South Hamp
Lond. 26. Sept.
1720

S.

I rec'd your Lett.r of 21.th Curr.t with
Petition to the Soc.y & this day communicated
both to their Comittee who during the
Vacat.n time act as the Society. The
Gent.n ever present were very much
concern'd to hear of the trials you have
met with, & hope they have had that
good effect as to lead you to a greater
dependance on him who feeds the Ravens
& vouchsafes to take notice of the
objects of his care. But as you represent
y.r case the Soc.y could make no Judgm.t
what assistance they could give you that
would be a real service: for to enable you
to satisfy only one or two importunate Creditors
would be the way to have all y.e rest
come upon you with rigor in expectation
of being paid likewise. The best service
therefore that can be done by those who
wish you well, is to endeavour to compound
all your Debts on as reasonable terms as may
be, and then to use means to raise money
for

for satisfying all y^r Creditors with equal Justice & to retain none his Proportion. For to pay one & put off another that has equal right to his Debt, will only encrease the clamour of y^r Creditors, & your Frds will never know when the demands upon them may be at an end.

In order therefore to the Society's considering of measures to assist you, you must enable me to lay before them a just estimate of your Debts, and upon what terms you think they or any of them may be compounded & then they will consider how far it may be in their power to assist you.

Have you acq^ted the Duke of Bed^d with y^r difficulties, & what Answ^r have you had. If you have not are you willing Her Grace sh^d be acq^ted with y^r case by any of y^r Frds here.

I am &c y^r

The Soc. will readily bestow a packet of their Books on y^r Son. when they know w^t w^d be most acceptable.

Cir. Letter to Reid. Members.

Sir

~~You may~~ This is summonly to put you in mind of the Society's last Adjournmt. to Thursday the 5th Curt. ~~being the~~ of the Clock in the afternoon and that ~~they begin the~~ their weekly meetings at S.t Paul's Chapter House ~~the~~ ~~year~~ it is desired ~~you would be pleased to give~~ will ~~continue~~ be continued on that day & hour during the Winter half year, unless they ~~shall~~ see cause to alter their Rule in that respect. I am

Middle Temple
2. Octob.r 1721.

S.r Yr. most obed.t humble Serv.t
H. N.

Nicholas Bell Mast.r of the Nicholas & Margaret Collier at Execution Dock belonging to Sunderland took care of S.r Geo. Wheler's Recp.t of 3. Copies of Brandt's History the 22. Sept.r and promis'd to Sail the 28.th or 29.th Sept.

To the Rev.d D. Wilkins
at Lambeth.

Mid. Temple
27.th Sept.r 1721.

Rev.d S.r

The ~~enclos'd~~ Letter & Certificate herewith sent having been communicated to the Society, and Mr.r Wanger having attended them at their last Meeting. The Society were ~~unanimously~~ of opinion that it would not be advisable to aim at getting a Brief ~~but~~ and order'd me to desire you would be pleas'd to lay them before ~~His Grace~~ the Abp.t of Canterbury & request his Grace's Advice & Good offices therein. ~~I am~~ ~~to remind~~ ~~you~~ ~~that~~ ~~Count~~ ~~Bothmar~~ ~~has~~ ~~promis'd~~ ~~to~~ ~~move~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~Affair~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~Court~~ ~~of~~ ~~Hanover~~

To the R.t Hon.ble the 34

L.d Percival.

Mid. Temple
28. Sept. 1721.

My Lord I am humbly to thank your Lordship for the great civilities conferr'd on me & my frds the other day, and am glad at the same time to accompany my acknowledgm.ts with a Present of a book from the Author ~~of it~~ M.r Philipps the Secretary of Commission for binding 50. Chamber to y.r L.p on a subject that ~~will~~ I am perswaded will not be unacceptable.

My Lord The Society resume their Meetings at St. Pauls Chapter House next Thursday by 4. of the Clock afternoon where as often as it may conduce with y.r ~~Lordsh.ps~~ leisure & inclination they will be very glad to see y.r Lordship.

I am My Lord Y.r most obliged humble Serv.t

My humble Service to M.r Dering, & M.r Percival.

H. N.

To the Rev.d D.r ~~Colegatch~~ at Cambridge

Mid. Temple
3. Octob.r 1721

Rev.d S.r I am always giving you trouble but I dare say it is most so, when you cannot ~~comply~~ answer my humble address to you according to your wishes. You will see by ~~what I proposed~~ the Letter above what I am desired to make inquiry ~~enquire from~~ by some friend at Cambridge, if this dont find you at Trinity College I presume it

it will reach yr. Hands at yr. Country Seat
wch I think yr informd me, or some Friend of yrs
informd me
was not far from the University. Pray favour
me with a Line of yr. Resolve in answer to
my Frds desire by wch you will oblige

Revd. Sr. Yr.

To Capt. Sherow at
No. 1. in Burr Street.

Mid. Temple
4. Octr. 1721.

Sr.

Some Members of the Society for
Promoting Christian Knowledge being desirous
~~to see them~~ to confer with them about African Affairs
their Country, and to inform themselves wherein they may
be serviceable to them by any good offices in their power, I have
promised to desire the favour of you to ac=
=company them to St. Pauls Chapter House
to morrow afternoon by 3. of the Clock
where some of the Gentlemen have agreed to meet
for that purpose, and your charge of Coach
hire will be thankfully defrayd by

Sr. Yr. most humble Servt.
H. N.

If you please to send
an Answr. by ye Bearer
what I may depend on.
and to favour me either now
or to morrow with a Catalogue
of the Books already given to the
Library.

To His Grace the
L. Arch Bp of Canterbury

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Mid. Temple
5th Octob. 1721

My Lord I am humbly to acquaint your Grace that the Society resume their weekly meetings at S.t Pauls Chapter House on this day by 4. of the Clock in the afternoon and that they will continue to meet there every Thursday at the same hour during the Winter half year.

My Lord The Comittee for the Madabar Affairs ~~have under their~~ are preparing for the Press materials for the 4th Vol. of Letters relating to the Mission, and as there will be ~~His Majesty's permission~~ by His Majesty's gracious Letter to the Missionaries, and their Letter to His Majesty have order'd me humbly to request your grace would be pleas'd to permit the Copy of the Letter herewith sent to be printed ~~in that Volume~~ among the Letters in that Volume with a translation of it, and also to favour them with a Copy of such Letters as your Grace has receiv'd from India which your Grace ~~shall~~ may think fit to be published to recommend the Mission to the regard of Good Men.

His Majesty has condescended to grant the
life favour with respect to His own & those
Gracious Letter
~~Letter~~ he has rec'd from the Univercity,
and therefore it is humbly hop'd Your Grace
be pleas'd to
will permit ~~yourd to accompany~~ the life
~~Letter~~ Letters
use to be made of by Yr. Graces
to them and their's to Yr. Grace.

I am ~~with the~~ with the greatest respect
My Lord Yr. Graces
Professor Frank has read Yr. Grace's Letter & will soon answer it. most obed.

To the Reverend Dr. Geo. Wheler
Prebend. of Durrham

Middle Temple
7. Octr. 1721

Rever'd Sr.

I Rec'd the 3. Copies of Brandt's
the 2. Vol. of
History and paid Mr. Chamberlayne for them 30 osp
Book ~~Copies~~ with Mr. Child's Exemtor
£ s d
1. 10. —

For your Subscription to the Society half a Year
ending at Xtmas 1720 } 1. —. —

For Boat hire and Wharfage pd. for Carrying the 3
Books from the Temple to St. Catherines and
thence to Execution Dock on Board the Nicholas
and Margaret Capt. Nich. Bell Master belonging
to Sunderland } —. 1. —
2. 11. —

Ballance of Your former Acco
in my hand 27. July Last } 2. 10. —
overpaid — — — — —

Thos

This Acco.t had been sooner but to you in Answer to your Favor of the 11. Aug.t. but I could not till Lately get the parcell above Mention'd Ship'd on Board a Collier Bound to your Neighbourhood & Mr Bell expected to Sail as on Michas. Day Last so that I hope by may be near Arrivd by that time this reaches your hand.

Mr Negri is still at Oxford where he has Transcribd the Arabick Psalter. The Benefactions now are upwards of 500. L. towards the Impression above 40. L having been put into the Society Last Week.

The Society ressumd their Meetings at St. Pauls Chapter Ho. Last Thursday when the 2. African Princes now in Town attended them and seem very much pleasd with their being Christians, and the Reception they have met with in England. The Society have Ordrd a noble present of Books to be made to them and are looking out for a proper Person to go with them to their own Country wch is the Kingdom of Dalago on the South East Side of Africa under the South Tropick near over against the Southermost Pt of Madagascar

Jam &c H.N.

The plague Spreads in France
and the Government have us'd all possible precautions to prevent its crossing the Channel to England

Dr Colebatch at Cambridge

Middle Temple
13. Octr 1721

Revd & Dear Sir,

I thank you for the Answer you have favourd me with relating to Mr Xavier which I shall Communicate to him.

In Obedience to your Order I herewith return the Manuscript Exposition of the Catechism.

If it should please God to take Dr Thackeray out of the world by this present Illness, it will be kind in You to recommend some other Person to Succeed him as a Corresponding Member Jam

Revd Sir Your most humble Servt.
H. N.

To the R.t Rev.d the
L.d Bp of London.

Mid: Temple
23. Oct. 1721.

My Lord when I had ~~last~~ the honour of waiting on yr. Lordship ~~last~~ some time since about the Relief to W.m Manuel at Candia, your L.d.p was pleas'd to express some concern that the application of ~~that~~ the 60. l. p. ann. allow'd by the Crown as a Charity ~~whether that it~~ did not at present seem to answer the original design of it, viz. for ~~the education of~~ educating foreign for the benefit of the Vaudois Children, ~~and that~~ and that your L.d.p had thoughts of acq.ting his Majesty with the difficulties attending ~~the application of it~~ it, in order to know his further pleasure therein when the present Gent. enjoying it should be dismiss'd from ~~the Being sent~~ the ~~benefit of it~~ University.

My Lord as your Lordship was pleas'd then to permit me humbly to suggest any method of applying it so that it might still serve a religious purpose ~~among the exiles~~ abroad, I have taken the liberty of humbly submitting to yr. L.d.p consideration the case ~~enclosed~~ of a ~~considerable~~ number of poor Palatines who are now Subjects of ~~King~~ Gr. Britain, but in a deplorable condition with respect to ~~their Spiritual concerns~~ any provision for the ~~preservation of~~ maintenance of Religion among them as your L.d.p will be informed by the Letters enclosed, sent to me by ~~the last Mail~~ from the Rev.d W. Boehm one of his Maj.ty's Chaplains for the German Chapel at S.t James's.

If Yr. L.p should be disposed to ~~approve of~~ recommend it to His Majesty to leave it to your L.p and your Successors in the See of London to apply the Royal Bounty this way I will readily procure any further Accots of the State of the place of Thoscany & the Subt of ~~grant~~ shall be required of

My Lord

Yr. L.ps
most obed. humble
Servt H. N.

To W. Guy
Bookseller in
Lombard Street.

Mid. Temple
18. Oct. 1721.

Sr

It is a debt due to so great a Benefactor as W. Guy is to the Publick to the Publick to let him know what charitable designs are on foot for the good either of the Souls or Bodies of Mankind. how far what is recommended in the Royal Warrant may deserve yrr ~~Patronage~~ regard is humbly Submitted. ~~to yr great Judgmt~~ with prudent consideration. ~~and~~ Give me leave only to acq. yrself about ~~it~~ ~~upwards of~~ 500. pound has been already ~~contributed~~ Subscribed towards it, and there is reason to hope from several assurances given that His Majty the King will be a Bountifull Benefactor to it. I have had the honour to be 2. or 3. times in yr Comp.a but can scarce be remembred by you tho I am with greater truth & respect Sr Yr. most obed. humble Servt

To Mons.r Du Fresne
at W.m Methwold's
at Hare Hatch near Twiford

Mrs: Temple
17. Oct. 1721.

S.r I rec.d your letter without date some time last Month and had sooner acknowledg'd it but I have been daily in expectation of sending you some advice that might be acceptable. But hitherto my endeavours have been frustrated tho not your fault. We are concern'd to find you so uneasie in the Station where you are, and hope you will patiently bear with the difficulties you meet with, till Providence shall open a door for your being disposed of otherwise. I am looking out for a place for you in a School, acceding to your desire and have some prospect of obtaining such a Trust by M.r Chamberlayne's means, but in the meantime both of us would be glad to hear of your welfare and that you are better reconcil'd to the place you are in, for this world is not one abiding place, we must always expect trouble in it, some have a greater share of its Blessings than others but all have as much as consists with the goodness of an Almighty Providence to make us resign'd to his will humble & obedient to his positive Commands our during which will be rewarded with a Crown of Joy hereafter. I pray God to support & direct you & assure you that I am

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Reasons humbly offer'd to the Commissioners for relieving Poor Proselytes to yeild up their Commission.

1. That ~~that~~ the Royal Bounty ~~which is~~ the main support of the Fund for this Service, is as properly applicable to the use it is now put, ~~though it should~~ by the Com^rs for distributing the 15000 l. for relieving the French Refugees, whereof this is an ~~out of which it~~ is deducted, and who till this establishm^t were wont to ~~take~~ extend their charitable regards to all deserving Proselytes ~~in distress~~ that stood in need of relief.

509. l. p. an.

2. ~~That it was worthy of the~~ ~~certainly a worthy~~ ~~was very laudable but by~~ ~~the Rules of Religion that~~ Charity of relieving Poor Proselytes, ~~has indeed discover'd~~ abundance of ~~them~~ have been thereby ~~discover'd~~ relieved ~~many~~ yet the ~~worthless~~ indigent Creatures, ~~but who are many~~ are such as are for the greatest part of them a disgrace to any Communion, ~~and therefore is too much reason to fear~~ not for their poverty, but that they are generally so ignorant as to be scarce able to give any acc^t of the Religion they renounce & less of the Protestant Religion wch they profess'd to ~~embrace~~ ~~not for conscience sake but if one in a hundred of them by~~ ~~have for no other reason but~~ ~~their application to the Rules of~~ ~~they may reap some benefit but it is~~ ~~only motive for their conversion and so ill as to be~~ ~~scarce fit for any sort of business, ill bred as to be~~ ~~fit for any sort of business~~ ~~to pay nothing of their being~~ ~~accustomed to idleness~~ or a vicious life, so as to be scarce fit for any sort of business.

3. By the last Printed List of Proselytes ~~relieved~~ contains ye Names of 50. ~~that appear to be~~ above ~~that are~~ detected of having been Spies here or are now actually returned to Popery: and ~~there is no~~ however Proselyte ~~that can reap any benefit without this Charity~~ but must very much regret to see his name among such a vile ~~crew of Rascals as the List consists of~~

5. That those few sincere Proselytes as (with redemption) are deserving object of Charity may not as properly be now under the care of the Comrs. for distributing the 15000. l. & Gen. for relieving the French Refugees as they were heretofore, is humbly submitted.

6. That the 500. l. p. Ann. Royal Bounty being reannexed to the 15000. l. will enable those Comrs. to take care of all those who shall appear to be worthy of being recommended to them upon the present dissolution of the establishmt for Proselytes.

2. That the name of a Royal Foundation for this purpose raises a great expectation of mighty things to be done by it for the Protestant Interest when in truth the fact is that it has chiefly serv'd to entice the dregs of the Church of Rome to profess what they never intended till the prospect of advantage temporal set upon it.

This is not said with any design to reflect on those few proselytes who may be sincere in their Conversion but to shew that the only way of making them so is to make them worthy to be admitted among the Children of God, and to enjoy the Blessings of Providence whatever may be the consequence of it in this World.

6. That Truth is so amiable, that they that follow her for her own sake, and are content to undergo any difficulties to enjoy it will not be worthy to be numbered among her votaries, wherein their eternal Felicity consists and those that will absolutely persist in the profession of it will always be in a way of Providence whatever may be the consequence of it in this World.

For these are the glorious Liberties of the Children of God and it is for the Liberty wherewith Christ has made us free that we stand fast and are not entangled again in the yoke of Bondage.

4. That the Proselytes being for the most part under the conduct of the Committee of the French Consistorys of which they are members who can best do judge as they are on whom to confer relief, especially as they keep up their Correspondence abroad & particularly with the Committee for Proselytes of the Com. who is also one of the Tr. Committee

7. That the Com. have been signally serviceable to this Comission by discovering & detecting those most deserving Proselytes who were cheats but whether they were as well apply'd in y other Colonys under this Comission is humbly Submitted.

8. That it will be expected a Narrative of the Proceedings of y Com. should continue to be publish'd annually as what can be given of last year, & that no Proselyte should accept of Charity without it, to have his name published among a parcel of banditi, & submitted to consideration whether or the right

and whether it does not
~~whether~~

10 Q. There discouragement will gradually dispose the Subscribers not only to withdraw their contributions, as others have in a manner already generally done, and then there will be only the Royal Bounty left to be certainly depended on, and even that not to be had without a Distributor of the Parliament for it will become to be left perhaps in better hands than those who consequently are unacquainted & particularly with Irish from whence the greatest part of the Proselytes come.

Q9. Of the means of judging of the merits of the persons who receive this charity approving of the merits of the persons ~~are~~ so much out of the reach of the greatest part of the Members of the Corp. that they attend the Monthly Meetings or Committees but to make a Quorum to consent to what they don't understand. How far it is for the honour or safety of private persons to accept of Trust of disposing Publick Money, which they are conscious of being incompetent Judges of the merits of the persons who are to receive it, is humbly Submitted.

It was at first reasonably supposed that to good a Foundation as 500 £ an. from the Crown would draw in many charitable Contributions, a trial has been made and while there was a prospect of doing real Service to Religion & relieving such as were deserving objects of Charity but the additional Revenue has been that the Contributions & number of the Contributors are likely to be reduced to a handful in comparison of what it was. Whether a larger Revenue will not be the occasion of the Managers of this Charity to forbear coming to the Meetings & resigning the Trust, till the Trust it self leaves them.

The Corp. were never so much in Cash as now but how that arises will appear by the following Accounts. and whether it will not be for the honour of the present Managers of the Fund that they will leave to others their Trust, to be with the payment of Money, rather than

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To John Chamberlayne Esq.

Wind. Temple
31. Oct. 1721.

S.r

The ~~Society having been informed that~~ Rev.d W. Slude our Treasurer having informd the Society at their last meeting that he had rec.d 50. pounds by your hand from My Lord Bp of Hereford as Her Grace the Dutchess of Bedford's ~~charitable~~ Noble Benefaction towards the impression of the N. Test. &c.a in Arabick, I am ordered to desire you would signify the ~~Magnificent~~ Profuse Liberality thankfull Charity of the Society to Her Grace for her good Offices in ~~procuring~~ promoting Her Grace's ~~to do what she is so generously inclined~~ charitable inclination to encourage this undertaking. I am glad at the same time to inform you of the good prospect there is of His Majesty's Royal Bounty to it, ~~this undertaking~~ and that Her Grace's Benefaction being Exemplary added to the former sum. Yesterday ~~laid~~ given in to be laid before His Majesty makes the Contribution hitherto amount to upwards of 560. pounds. I May God increase the Number of such Benefactors as Her Grace and than ~~I doubt not but there will be~~ this work will be happily accomplished. I hope to the ~~full~~ entire satisfaction of all that have ~~been the instrument of~~ promoting it. I am

S.r Yr.

To the Hon.ble
W. Robethon S.r

Wind. Temple
31. Oct. 1721.

~~Yesterday by~~ I am heartily sorry for the continuance of y.r indisposition ~~which~~ to a great affliction to the Publick as well as your ~~Royal~~ family. I was at Death's Door with a Pleurisy

about 16. Months ago, and rec'd so much benefit by Hampstead air & Asses milk that I can't help advising every body to use them as being more or less good in every case, especially if you can bear riding upon the Heath it will I dare assure you in a little time provoke you to lay aside all Physick except that of the Kitchen.

I have been afraid to trouble you under y^r indisposition with y^e Stadick affair, knowing your hearty inclination to go even beyond your Strength in promoting it, but Yesterday by My Lord Townshend's order I waited on his L^dsp at y^e Back Stairs humbly to put him in mind of speaking to His Majesty, and I was in great hopes it might then have been done to put an end to the frequent Solicitation w^ch which I have troubled His L^dsp but after waiting there some time His L^dsp was pleas'd to tell me that he had again forgot me but would certainly remember it as this Morning; upon which I took y^e liberty of leaving the Proposal ~~leaving the Proposal~~ w^th the Subscriptions as have been made to it, at your House with a request that you would be pleas'd to lay it before His Majesty in any way that you shall think proper, in hopes that His Majesty may be graciously pleas'd to put His L^dsp in mind of it, and then I will attend in the proper place for taking out the warrant. ~~for His Majesty's pleasure~~

The Bearer has long time promis'd to assist the

the Prince's favour to it, ~~the~~ as soon as I can assure him what His Majesty is pleas'd to do, for want of which an application cannot be made to ~~the Turkey Company &~~ several ~~other~~ Persons of Quality who would undoubtedly encourage the undertaking after such great Examples.

I have been so troublesome to My Ld Townshend that I am ~~perfectly~~ ashamd to see His Ld.p any more upon this Accot. and therefore I hope you will excuse this address from

Sr Yr most obliged
humble Serv.t H.N.

To My Lord Bp of London

Mid. Temple
1. Nov.r 1721.

My Lord

The Bearer Mr. Harlan is recommended to me by a Gent. ~~whom~~ that I have known ~~very well and for~~ several years for a very honest man, ~~and~~ if upon which I have presum'd to recommend him to your Ld.p for ~~Holy Orders~~ a Probation for Holy Orders. He has spent sev.ll years abroad at the Universities of Halle, Wirtemberg & Basil as his Testimonials shew & I hope his qualifications And as discovered his Studies to Physick as well as Theology, a qualification Mr. I believe will qualify him in Yr. Ld.p ~~opinion~~ will approve

as

very proper ~~[illegible]~~ in a Missionary
as ~~[illegible]~~ to either
of the Judges: if ~~he~~ in other respects answer
y^r. Lordships expectation ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~
will ~~be~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and may
hope be an Ornam^t. to the Church of England
~~[illegible]~~ I hope
he may be admitted to the Honour
Service an Ornam^t. to the Church
in the Capacity of one of its Ministers, ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ to which he is humbly recommended by

My Lord y^r.

To the Rev^d. Dr. Waterland

Mid. Temple

7. Nov^r. 1721.

The Rev^d. W^m. Skute Treasurer of the
Society for Promoting Christian knowledge
has desir'd me to acquaint you that M^r. Freke
of Shroton late deceas'd late Hon^ble Uncle was many years a worthy Member
of that Society & Subscribd Ten pounds ~~[illegible]~~ an. towards
promoting their Design which he punctually paid for
many years till the latter part of his life he was oblig'd for his
health to be much in the Country, ~~[illegible]~~ so that at his
Death there was 4. years due of his Subscription
due ~~to the Society~~ viz. from Mich^s. 1717. to Lady
Day. 1721. as appears by the Society's Books wch. you
may see whenever you please at his Chamber and very likely you
may find the Treasurer's last Rec^t. among M^r. Freke's Papers.
As M^r. Freke has appointed you his Sole Executor to
discharge demands of this Nature ~~[illegible]~~ it is not
doubted but you will be pleas'd to give direction ac-
cordingly, wherein your pleasure is desired to be signified to me at the
Post Office at Middle Temple Gate will come safe to
y^r. Lordships hands. I am

To Mrs Corbett in Lincolns Inn Fields. Mid. Temple
7. Nov. 1721

Madam I have herewith sent according to my promise an Acct. of those good things Mr. Frebe was engag'd in promoting, & you will find his hand at the End of these & several other books of this kind published by the Society for Promoting Christian knowledge of which I find he had been a worthy member for about 15. or 16. years to the day of his death, & it pleased God to take him out of the world; when you have perus'd them perhaps Yr. Nephew may be pleas'd to read them unless he has met with them before among his Uncle's Papers.

Be pleas'd to forward the enclos'd with a proper direction or to keep it till Mr. Frebe comes to Town if you soon expect him, by wch you will oblige

Madam Yrs.

To Mr. Woodley
Secry of Ind. Comp.a

Mid. Temple
13. Nov. 1721.

Sr. I herewith send you Gov. Boone's Lett. to me together with Mr. Cobbe's, the Comp.a Chaplain at Bombay with & Mr. Cobbe's, &c., on the Subject of a Charity School at Bombay, by wch you will see how earnestly the Gov.r & the Inhabt.s desire to have such a School there: I send you to this

~~I~~ an Extract ~~a Copy~~ of the Society's answer by the last Ships ~~to Bombay wherein you may observe~~ ~~they take the blame upon themselves~~ that a Matter was recommended to the Company last year, ~~but the same execute would leave this year that they might not be discouraged that~~ ~~such a Letter was given~~ by which you may judge whether they have given larger expectation than there was reason for, and whether less could have been given. I leave you to judge such passing in Council, after so laudable a beginning as they had made to follow the example of their Neighbours at Fort St. George. I submit it to you whether you will communicate the enclosed to the Hon.ble Committee who have this matter under consideration &

I remain

Please to return y.e enclosed when you have done with y.m

Sr.

The E. India, the African, & South Sea Companies do now in a manner divide the World between them, I hope it is reserved to them to have the honour of propagating the true Religion to the remotest Countries and that the E. India Company will always be in the Front as their Territories are the largest & most distant so their Zeal in so good a cause will be proportionable. They have generously been foremost in their Endeavours, & I hope they will always have cause to rejoice in the success.

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To Edward Jennings Esqr

Middle Temple
14. Novr 1721

Sir,

I am sorry to hear the Country Air has not recover'd you from your Indisposition, I wish the Town Air may be better.

I have herewith sent a Copy of the New Method of Schools for your acceptance, and the Society have Order'd 300. Copies of them to be given to the Trustees of the Charity Schools in and about London, and desire you would be pleas'd to present them, as a Token of the Society's Respect to that Body, and the Schools under their Care.

I am, Sir Your most Obedient
Humble Serv.t
H: N.

To Mr. Rob.t Powel Attorney at Law
at Wilton Glamorg.

Middle Temple
14. Nov.r 1721.

Sir,

I am heartily sorry to find by your Last that Mr. Poulton's Good Offices have not given you Satisfaction, nor can I think of any Expedient yet to serve you better: His learning and Piety having more than Ordinarily Qualify'd him to assist in this Case.

I was asham'd soon to shew him your Last Letter, after the pains he had taken to Transcribe your Mss. in his own way, but he like a good Man puts it to the Acco.t of his other well meant Labours that happens not to answer Expectation; and hopes you are resign'd as he is to the Frustration that has happen'd.

I hope I did the Printer for you when with him, and he charges me with ten shillings for what he has done, which you may take You own time to remit.

I have also taken up your Mss. to be deliver'd as you shall desire.

I am your most humble Serv.t

To Josiah Burchett Esq.
Secry to y Admiralty.

Mid. Temple
18. Nov. 1721.

Sr Some friends of mine being desirous to relieve such of the poor Captives lately returned from Barbary as are destitute of friendly assistance & the present cold weather requires have desired me to request you would be pleased to inform your self from the Capt. of the Dover Pheeney wherein 10. or a Doz. Prisoners came how they are laid out for their relief beyond the Common Provision allowed to them by the Govermt. in granting which favour you will very much oblige

Sr Y. most obedt humble Servt
H. N.

To the Revd
W. Pearce
at Ld Chancellrs.

Mid. Temple
20. Nov. 1721.

Revd Sr I am desired by some of those poor Gent. you used to meet at Dunstans Coffee house to the Vendor of advice how such stuff as the books herewith sent can be exposed to sale

Upon consult of which

My Lord Chancellor is resolved the Event of a Prosecution for the recovery of the Penalty is uncertain & expensive, but His Lordship is willing to do any thing in his power to promote so charitable a design as may be effectual & as well as a shorter way, & I doubt not but a Jury would find the Defendant guilty of offending against the Statute

If it be with y. convenience to call at Dunstans to morrow at y usual hour they will be glad to meet you there, to confer with you about it.

I am Sr Y. most obedt Humble Servt
H. N.

To Jos. Burchet Esq. 52 25th Nov. 1721

S.r I am desir'd by my friends to give
you their thanks for your good offices in
=curing the advice you have been pleased to send to me in
relation to the Captives, and to acq.t
you that, their number being so great they are forced that by giving
to give to all without distinction,
exclusive of the Masters, only, would be such
a Morsel as would be sufficient suffice only
to give them a Sip at a 1.t Brandy
Shop; and that Stocking, Shoes &
Linnen would be a more durable Charity to
some of them whose names they expect from an
intelligent Captive by the 1.t opportunity
I am S.r In the mean time
if you please to let me know when & where
they are design'd to be Landed it will be
esteemd as a great favour
S.r Yr.

To Mr. Sam. Wellers at Maidstone
Kent

Old Southampton Buildings
28. Nov.r 1721.

Rev. Sir,

Our Treasurer desires me to acquaint You, that the Society is in great
not knowing where to call in Town for Your Subscription Quarterly, there
is now an Arrear due of Six Years and 3 quarters viz.t from Ladyday 1715
to Michas 1721. Inclus. which at 2l 2s — is Amounts to 14: 3s 6 —
concerning which he doubts not but You will be pleas'd to give Directions
when it is with Your Convenience. I am Revd Sir Your most humble Servt.

H: N.

To Mr. Tho. Thomicroft [illegible] Lond. 20. Nov. 1721

S.r

I desired Mr Swinfen to acq.t you that the Society have resolv'd upon a method of giving you some assistance by a subscription since they could not do it out of their Gen.l fund. And I don't neglect to put those Gent. in mind who I know do know & respect you, as I meet w.th them, and it is to your interest to take a proper time of doing this, for if Mr Hunter & I speak to Gent. in a hurry or in any respect unreasonably the answ.r is not so much to your advantage as I hope it may prove by having a little patience.

Mr. Hunter writing with great difficulty desired me to assure you of his good offices with the Members of the Society in your behalf, acording to your Letter to him of the 21.st Inst. & is himself a contributer of half a Guinea towd making up a purse for you.

God almighty support you under your present trials, & dispose your Ld.r to assist you in some measure at least according to yr. wants, for the satisfaction of yr. just demands of yr. creditors is the hearty desire of

S.r Yr. very humble Serv.t

H. N.

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To Mr. Hayes at Bristol — Middle Temple

9. Dec. 1721

Dear Sir,

I have wrote and sent two sayes to the India House about Mr. Wilson every Week I believe since I wrote to you last, and the Secry at last tells me there is such an Indolence in the Gent. of the Comittee to whom the matter is referr'd that he doubts whether they will Advise the Company to come to any Resolution about sending a Schoolmaster this Year to Bombay or no, tho' they seem'd once very much dispos'd to do it, and he assures me he does not fail still to put them in mind of the Earnest Request of the Governour and Councile there to send a Master over ——

What shall be said there for if they will expect Miracles to demonstrate more clearly what is so much for the Interest of the Company as well as their own Factory, there is no remedy but patience. My Service to Mr. Wilson and be assur'd I am Sir. Your most Obedient humble Servt.

H. N.

To Mr. Zeigenbalg
at Copenhagen

Mid. Temple
London
12. Dec. 1721

Madam

Above is a Copy

To the Rev.d Mr. Schultze & Dall Revd. Temple

at Tranquebar

12. Dec.r 1721.

Rev.d Sirs

This only the Society here very much lament the Death of the two late Excell.t Missionaries Mr. Ziegenbalg & Mr. Grundler and have long since wrote to Professor Francke in Germany & to the Illustrious College at Copenhagen to consider of Measures to repair so great a Loss, but to this day they have no answer, for which reason I cannot give you an acco.t of what resolution may be taken here, but hope it may do it by the Ships that will go hence after Xmas In the mean time the Society are very diligent for carrying on the work of the Mission so happily begun by those faithfull Servants of Christ who are gone to rest, and hope God will continue his Blessing on your Labours which alone can crown our Endeavours. Under his gracious Protection may you always prosper both in Soul & Body is the Prayer of

Rev.d Sirs Your most humble Serv.t

H. Newman

My humble Service to Mr. Kistenmacher with you still.

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To Mr. Augustin Meredt
at Fort St. George

London
Mid. Temple
12. Dec. 1721.

Sir I thank you for yrs favour of the 5th of Jan. last and heartily condole with you for y great loss to the Mission which it pleases God to exercise it with in the Death of the late Revd Mr. Grundler, under wch dispensation it becomes us the instrum.ts of his Providence always humbly to resign'd. I have wrote to the Society daily expect advices from Germany & Denmark about y means of repairing these loses and I shall be glad if by the Ships after Xtmas I may inform yn of an agreable resolution to this purpose, though I fear it will be impossible to prevail with any worthy person to goe a voyage to India so soon as by the next Ships. In the mean time the Society will use their utmost endeavours to support & encourage a Design tending so much to y Glory of God and the Salvation of the Heathen World and leave the Event to that Providence wch directs all things by unerring wisdom. I am Sr Yr most humble Servt

H. N.

Pray give my most humble Service to the Hon.ble the Gov.r Elwick & Gov.r Jennings &c.a of my Friends on y.e Coast when I hope to write after Xtmas

To Mr Benj. Warand Esq.
at Dublin.

Middle Temple
26. Dec. 1721

Dear Sir I did not receive your favour of the 5. Curt. with the Papers accompanying it from Whitehall not till the 21st and immediately apply'd my self to do all the Service I could in the Affair you recommend, but he not being at his Chambers I call to know what had been done in the Affair told me the Bill you mentioned recommended had been sent to him, & was return'd to the Council Office I then wrote to the Clerk in waiting to desire to know how the matter stood & to beg a Stop if it lay in his power till the Arch Bp of Cant. to a disapprobation be consulted, and the next day going to the Office I was informed that the Attorney Generall had made two objections to the Bill Arch Bps pursuant & recommendation of the matter at Council appointed to sit on the Irish Bills this day would be the surest way to expedite your Bill in the manner you wish'd; I thereupon waited on Saturday the 23. Arch Bp & shew'd His Grace y.r Letter which having read, he was pleased to express a very good disposition to do all that lay in his power to promote it in regard to the Society in whose name you wrote recommended it, & bid me as soon as on Arch. of the recommendation he had receiv'd from My Lord Arch Bp of Tuam; and ordered me immediately to wait on Mr Southwell to desire him to give His Grace's Service to My Lord Privy Seal & to excuse his not being able to attend the Council

Counc[il] on this day ~~when~~ because all the Bps that are in Town according to ancient Custom are invited to Dine with His grace ~~the Archbp of Canterbury~~ on St Stephen's day to pray that this Bill might be postpon'd till he could attend which should be any Day in the week after ~~this Tuesday~~ Tuesday. I then waited on Mr. Southwell with his grace's Message who advis'd me notwithstanding his grace's absence to attend the Counc[il] on this day because I should there meet with the Attorney Gen[l] & have an opportunity of ~~learning~~ apprizing him with the occasion of the Bill which it seems was hitherto not so fully ~~learn'd by me~~ declar'd to him as in yr. Lett[r]. I did accordingly attend & found His grace was so kind as to recommend the matter very heartily by a Letter to the Lords of the Council accompanying it with an Extract of yr. Letter which I left with his grace ~~to be published to them~~ but the Attorney Gen[l] it seems not only concurr'd in the opinion of the Privy Council of Ireland upon the amendm[t] they had transmitted but suggested two more wch if I rightly apprehended them were 1st That the Bill in the Latter part of it was directly opposite to the Statute of Marlebridge and the 2d was that it ~~shou~~ requir'd Witnesses to be examined viva voce and their examinations to be ~~registered~~ taken by a Register in Chancery who might easily misrepresent them out of mistake or design, whereas in the like Cases in the Chancery here Depositions of Witnesses drawn up deliberately & Sworn to in Chancery were as better Evidence

and ~~in case of appeal~~ yet
this Evidence seemd to be
disallow'd by the Tenour of this Bill, tho' for the most
part it was easier to be had & more to be rely'd
in case of an Appeal on than the artfull turns that might be given by a Witness.
~~in case of Appeal~~. For these reasons as well as I can
remember ~~to relate~~ y^m. M^r. Southwell told me y^e
Bill was resolved for the present. ~~I told him~~
~~if it was~~ and that he should acq^t. My L^d. Lieuten.
with the difficulties ~~that occurred on the consideration~~
~~of it~~. I was likewise told by one of the ~~Under~~
Clerks that the Attorney Genll was of opinion
that the Act of the 10^th. of K. Ch. the 1^st was a
good Act ~~effected~~ for recovering misapply'd Charities. ~~as the~~
~~new Act proposed~~. I heartily wish it were
in my power to have done y^e Hon^ble Society
& you better Service in this affair, and if they
or you have any further Commd. therein be
pleas'd to lay y^m ~~with~~ freely on their &

my humble Service Sir
to all the members of the
Society to whom I have
the honour to be known

y^r. most obed^t.
humble Serv^t.
H. N.

I did not see the Attorney Genll because while I
waited in the office at one end of y^e Council Chamber
expecting his coming that way, he went out at y^e
other ~~Door~~ End, & M^r. Southwell told me it was to no purpose
to ~~go~~ speak to him after what he had said.

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To My Lord Archbp of
Cant. at Lambeth.

Mid. Temple
27. Decr. 1721.

My Lord.

I deliver'd Your Grace's Letter
to Mr. Southwell on Saturday last, and by his Advice attended yesterday at the Council
Chamber for an Opportunity to speak with the Attorney General about the affair, where I
understood Your Grace had been pleas'd to recommend the Bill to their Ldps favour by a
Letter, and thereupon the Bill being read, with the Amendm.ts propos'd by the Privy Council of
Ireland, the Attorney General not only concurr'd with those Amendments as being very
proper, but Suggested two more to which if Strictly apprehended those were. 1. That the Bill
in the Nature of it was directly opposite to the Statute of Mortmain. And 2dly That it wanted
Witnesses to be Examin'd Viva Voce and their Examination to be taken by the Register in Chancery
(who might easily Misrepresent them out of Mistake or Design, whereas in the like Cases in Chancery
here, Depositions of Witnesses deliberately drawn up and Sworn to, were admitted as better
Evidence), and yet such Evidence seem'd by the Tenor of this Bill to be disallow'd, though they were
for the most part easier to be had and more to be rely'd on in Case of an appeal than the
Short Hand Notes that might be given by a Register.

My Lord for these Reasons as well as I can remember them, the Bill was respited,
and though I presume Your Grace may be Informed of Course in this matter from better Hands,
yet I thought it my Duty humbly to acquaint Your Grace with what had come to my Knowledge
at this same time I present Your Grace with a Copy of the other Papers refer'd to in Mr.
Everard's Letter concerning it.

I am with the greatest Respect. My Lord Your Grace's
Most Obedient
humble Serv.t
H. C.

To Mr. Burchet Secry
to the Admiralty

Middle Temple
27. Decr. 1721

Sir

Your Kindness in indulging my late Applications to you in
behalf of the poor Captives from Barbary, encourages me to hope You will not
disapprove of a recommendation of one of them William Pottern by Name, to be
admitted if the Lords of the Admiralty please into His Majesty's Service. He
has serv'd His Majesty already above 20. Years according to a List herewith sent
which the honest Man himself wrote: He has the Character of a Man of great
Integrity, and the height of his Ambition is to be admitted to serve as a Gunner
on Board one of the King's Ships.

If their Lordships are pleas'd to Admit him to be Examin'd as to his
Qualifications for such a Trust, I doubt not but he will give them proofs of his Ability
to discharge it, and Your Favour in recommending him, will be an Act of Charity
to a useful Man as well as further oblige

Sir Your most Obedient
humble Serv.t
H. C.

To W.m H. Hoare Mid. Temple
27. Dec.r 1721.

S.r

~~The Bearer~~ W.m Adams whom you was pleas'd to enquire after liv'd with me as a Clerk about 7. years in which time he behav'd ^himself with great Sobriety & integrity, and I believe will faithfully discharge such a Trust as you was speaking of to the satisfaction of the Gent. that may be pleas'd to employ him. How he has spent his time since he left me for his Health you will be inform'd by the enclosed ^ I am

S.r Y.r most humble Serv.t

To John Chamberlayne Esq.r Mid. Temple
30. Dec.r 1721.

Dear S.r

I don't think it would become me to speak any more to the Com.rs about M.rs Chevalier & therefore I ad= =vis'd M.r Virgin the Beadle of D.r Clark's Parish to get a letter from him to introduce him or M.rs Chevalier to you because it seems neither of them can get to speak with you, you are either not at home or the Door is shut upon 'em.

You may please to remember the last resolution about her was to allow her 3.l a week from the 1.st of Nov.r which I thought you had with of it, though the Order for allowing her 3. pound according to a former Order would have been now due to her.

What M.r Virgin proposes I should have thought very reasonable if the Com.rs had thought to ~~the other~~ because instead of paying her 3. pound at Xtmas ^ during the 3.d week from 1.st of Nov.r which is 30.d days which is not a great matter to insist upon since she has just claim to be by you. She would have been [illegible]

find Stand if the Bearer M^rs. Virgin & her husband had not in their great compassion to ~~her~~ one that they formerly knew in very good circumtanes relievd her upon the credit of our poor allowance.

I am &c.

To My Lord Percival
in Pellmall.

Mid. Temple
1. Jan.^y 1721/2

My Lord.

~~I doubt not whether it may~~ The by order of ~~the~~ Comitte ~~last Tuesday~~
2. African Princes from Delagoa are invited to attend them
~~Comittee of the Society~~ to morrow morn.^g at S.^t Dunstan's
by 11. Clock Coffee house, & afterwards to dine at y^e Leg Tavern in
Fleet Street if their Company may be a curiosity worthy of
y^r. Lordship's notice I know
~~waiting on~~ S.^r J. Philipps, M^r. Dolins, & D.^r Bray &
several others ~~have promised to meet there on~~
~~expect and know~~ will be very glad to have the
honour of y^r Company on that occasion.

If My ~~dear~~ wishes, ~~that~~ may be acceptable ~~that~~
~~of many thousand years the piety of~~
~~one~~ many happy new years ~~to come~~ may be added
to those you have already seen, ~~may be~~
~~acceptable~~ none can ~~make~~ offer them with
more sincerity than

My Lord

Cir. Lett.^r for the Annivers.^y Dinn.^r

Jan.^y 4 1721/2

S.^r The Society for Promoting X.^tian Knowledge have
agreed to have their anniversary Meeting to Dine together
on Thursday the 18.^th Curr.^t by 2. Clock in y^e afternoon at y^e
Leg Tavern in Fleet Street, Several Members having ~~complained~~
~~of the by meeting expected~~ found great inconvenience ~~by~~ attending
the ~~anniversary~~ little Meetings at S.^t Dunstan's Coffeehouse by reason of
the coldness of the ~~place~~ Room notwithstanding the care that
has been taken to remedy it.

Sir By order of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge
I am humbly to acquaint you that though their Circular Letter for this
year has been delayed for want of some material advices
from abroad not yet come to hand relating to the impro-
-vements of the New Test.t in Arabic & y.e Protestant Mission
to the East Indies, and that both those Designs by the
Blessing of God are carrying on under the desirable Encouragem.t of seve-
-ral Persons of Quality & others, and the Society continue to print
their Members both in Town & Country with Books on y.e same terms
proposed in their last Circular Letter.
Several Members having found great inconvenience by
attending the Anniversary Meeting in so cold a Room as
St. Dunstan's East House, the Society have agreed
to have that Meeting at the Leg Tavern in Fleet street
on Thursday the 18.th Curt. by 2. Clock in y.e afternoon
after which time they expect you Company it is
and desire you would be pleased to pay the Messenger
2/6.d towards the expence of y.e Dinner on that occa-
-sion. I am S.r y.r

To the Hon.ble the Court of Directors &c.a
of the United East India Company of England.

May it please y.r Honours.

Tho the Protestant Mission to the East-
Indies has suffer'd a great Loss by the Death
of the two principal Missionaries M.r Ziegenbalg
& M.r Grundler at Tranquebar, the Society for Promoting Christian
Knowledge confiding in the good Providence
of God that raised up those Men have agreed to continue
their Assistance to the Surviving Missiona-
-ries not doubting but that being animated by the example
of their Deceased Fathers in the Mission to imitate their
Zeal in propagating the Gospel among the Heathen the
Blessing on their Labours: And in order to

may suffice under the 64
as the present circumstances of the Mission ~~seem~~ I am
directed humbly to request Yr. Honours would
be pleased to permit the Money & Goods
hereafter ~~under~~mentioned to be sent to Fort St. George
Freight Free in ~~such ... ship~~ one of the Comp.
Ships.

1. Chest of Books, containing also
3. Ream of writing Paper.
Ingredients for making Ink to ye Val. of 20
6. Whet Stones
2. Doz. Smelling Bottles of Sal. Volat. Arm.
2. Doz. of Stomachicum Elixir or some oth.
of the same Nature.
1. Chest of Beer
1. Cheshire Cheese cover'd wth. Lead.

600. Ounces ~~160 pound~~ in peices of eight.

Middle Temple
9. Jan. 1721/2

To Wm. D. of Chandois

Mid. Temple
24. Jan. 1721/2

My Lord

I was this Morning humbly to wait on yr. Grace with a Copy (enclosed) of a Minute of the Society for Prom. Christian knowledge Signed by a Comittee of their ~~Number~~ Body, and with yr. Graces permission I will wait on you again to morrow Morning in hopes of such an Answer as may be acceptable to them at their Meeting to morrow afternoon.

I am My Lord Yr. Graces
most obed. humble Ser.

Cir. Ltr to the Members in London about ye African affair

Sir

The 2. Africans ~~now in London~~ from Delagoa on the South East ~~Coast~~ part of Africa having expressed a ~~great~~ desire to be accompanied in their return home by some person or persons capable of preserving & improving that knowledge ~~which they have acquired~~ during their stay here & also of recommending the same to their Countrymen Several Members of the Society have thought this a favourable opportunity for introducing the light of the Gospel to a Country at present abandoned to the greatest darkness & ignorance ~~they profess or delight in~~. And in order to this a Proposal has been made for sending hither 2. sober Mechanicks qualified at least as Schoolmasters to make a beginning in so charitable a design and to facilitate the introduction of it a Person of Quality Member of the Society has been pleased to offer 20. pounds Stg. in part of three score pounds Stg. which is computed the whole expence for supporting 2. persons in that Country for 2. years. But this being a Sum the Society cannot dispose of without consulting their absent Members by their Letters

I am order'd to acquaint you with this Proposal, and to desire your Company at S.t Paul's Chapter House next Thursday the 1.st of Feb.y by 4. Clock in the afternoon to give your advice thereon. I am

Mid. Temple 29 Jan.y 1721/2 S.r Yr

To My Lord Percival

26. Jan.y 1721/2

My Lad. I was just going to write to yr. Ldship the enclosed for yr. approbation when I had the honour of receiving yr. Ldships Letter this morn: It is to be printed & therefore yr. Ld. will be pleased to make any Alteration

alterations that yor shall think ~~necessary~~ proper. As to the affair it self I was more concern'd last night at the construction yor L.p might put upon the reception it met with, ~~from one Quarter~~ than for ye ~~matter~~ thing, I am because the method it is now in, tends to give it the highest ~~most solemn~~ Sanction the Society are capable of giving it. And as far as I am ~~capable of judging~~ to judge its merit it will be sure to go as yr. L.p would have it, only time must be allow'd to those that don't apprehend things with the same clearness & readiness as yr. L.p does to be reform'd into an approbation.

The Common Enemy of Mankind will no doubt ~~exert~~ his & his exert his vigilance on such an occation as this w.ch tends to divest him of so great a part of his ~~Terri-~~ Dominion -tories, but ~~they~~ the tide yor L.p has espous'd, in my little observation all his artifices have generally ended in obstructing a good work better seeming in ~~establishing~~ what the success of it, ~~to victorious and~~ ~~therefore I beg yr. L.p~~ the more I see

My Lord I shall obey yr. Comands as to a List of the Members the first leisure my Man has to make it, being with the greatest respect

My Lord Yr. most obed.
humble Serv.

My Man being gone in to the City I was oblig'd to ~~transcribe~~ detain yr. L.ps Serv.t till I could transcribe the enclosed, & that under some interruption of Company, write this which I beg you would excuse.

out of ye small present made last night to ye Society of Pietas Corcagiensis I took care to reserve one for yr. L.p herewith sent.

It is referd to ye Comittee to enquire for a Chaplain for the African Company's factory in the River Gambia where 100.l p an. & a free Table is the allowance, and they will be

thankfull to y^r. L^p. for recommending a person for such a Service.

I should be glad to talk w^th. Honest Penwed about his Skill in Psalmody &c.^a when y^r. L^p. may be pleased to send him to me.

To W^m. Humphreys
Secry of the Society for
Propog. ^d Gospel.

Mid. Temple
16. Feb.^y 1721/2

S^r. Yesterday M^rs Christian Coventry as a legacy from her late husband M^r. Judith Coventry called at my Chamber to pay me 40. pounds for Propogating the Gospel in foreign Parts, I ask'd her in what part of the world, whether in the East or the West-Indies, she told me she supposd. in either, but that I might better judge of her sister's intentions she shewd me her will, of which a Copy is enclosd. when I read in how general terms it was left, I told her I could not advise her to pay it to me, till she was satisfy'd it belong'd to the Society I serv'd, because there is another Society for Propogating the Gospel in the West-Indies who are concern'd in the West Indies, as the Soc. for Promoting X^tian knowledge are in the East Indies upon which she told me if the Executrix might chuse which of the Indies it might be employ'd in, they had rather it might go to the East Indies, because they had a Brother liv'd there several years & another dy'd there. I then told her I would take advice & let her know, what she might do. Accordingly having acq^ted the Society for Promoting X^tian knowledge with what I have said above they are willing to give you a Copy of the Will to be laid before the Society for Prop. the Gospel that if they think fit they may signify their pleasure therein and in the mean time I am order'd to take the opinion of some Gent. of the Long Robe concerning it, which shall be signify'd to you by

S^r. Y^r.

To Mess.rs Schultz, Dal & 68
Kiestenmacher at
Trenquebar

Mid. Temple
16. Feb.y 1721/2

By the Nightingal Capt.n Wm Machett Commander.

Rec.d Sirs. Above is a copy of my last Letter, I now enclose to you what I am ord.d to signify to you in the name of the Society: And also an Invoice of such things as the Society have ord.d me to ~~send by you in the Nightingal~~ Ships now going. You will observe that there are some packets for Fort S.t George & Fort S.t David in the Chest N.o 1. wch therefore must be opened at Fort S.t George by our frds Mess.rs Wendey & Hugonin to whose care they are recommended and then to be forwarded to you. The Silver Ship.d on the Nightingal being but 5 cwt 38.10 too small a quantity to fill a Chest is put up in one Bagg as mentioned in the Invoice & recommended also to the care of M.r Wendey & M.r Hugonin to be forwarded to you or disposed of at Fort S.t George for y.r advantage as you shall please to direct. There being a Ship sent this year from Denmark, the Silver design.d there I suppose is sent in her, and also the Letters from the illustrious College at Copenhagen, only one Packet I lately rec.d under their Seal is put on board the Nightingal recommended to M.r Hugonin's care.

By the Capt.n Cou

I rec.d M.r Schultz, Letters of the 30.th Sept.r & 5.th Dec.r 1720. with the 4.r Copies of the New Testament in Malabarick, & forwarded all y.r Packets that came to hand

to hand with them as directed: There are ~~all~~ of
only Letters I have rec'd from you this year.

When you write to His Majesty you must send
a Copy of what you write to W. Bgelin or it will not be rec'd
by our Ministers of State, who are to deliver it.

The Archbp of Canterbury will take it well
to be remembred by you ~~every year~~ sometime, at least in a
Letter giving a short acco.t of y.r progress.
And the Society will be glad of the same
every year that they may know wherein
to assist you.

May God Almighty direct you in the
great trust reposed in you for advancing his
glory & the Kingdom of our common Lord &
Saviour is the earnest prayer of the Society
as well as

Gentlemen
Y.r most obed.t humble
Serv.t
H. N.

To the Revd
W.m Wendey Chaplain ~~to~~
~~Fort St George~~ &
W.m Hugonin Merch.t at Fort St George.

By the right trigal Capt.n Wm Mackett Commander.

Wd. Temple
16. Feb.y 1721/2

Gentlemen I have rec'd W.m Wendey's kind Letter
of the 10.th of Jan.y 1720/1 & a duplicate of it of the
7.th of Feb.y following, and W.m Hugonin's of the 5.th Jan.y
of the same year, the contents of which were ~~very~~
communicated to the Society: ~~excepting~~ the melancholy acco.t
gave of the Death of the 2. Excell.t Missionaries Zieg-
-baly & Grundler (the greatest discouragem.t to those

of the Mission to
Understanding that as yet we have met with is a very melancholy one;
can be sufficient but time
is sufficient to say it is the will of God & therefore we
must submit with an humble resignation & and pursue
the most likely means under his blessing divine Blessing for repairing so great a loss.

Those means are not yet in so promising a view as
it was hop'd I might have advis'd you by this ship
but in God's time I hope they may. In the mean
time the Society have order'd me to send the things
mentioned in the Invoice inclosed, towards the present
relief of the Missionaries remaining at Tranquebar.
and they are recommended to your care to be
forwarded to them. The Bagg of Silver is
Seal'd with the Seal on this Paper, and I
have desired the Missionaries to signify their
pleasure to you whether it shall be disposed of
for their advantage at Fort St. George or trans-
mitted to them in Specie.

The Packet in No. 1. directed to your selves & other
friend, is not on yr. Court not No. 1. makes it
necessary to open it at Fort St. George to take
out, and whether you will send the other
things for Tranquebar in the same or another
Sheit is left to yr. prudence.

The Society are extreamly pleas'd to hear
of the flourishing state of the Charity School at Fort
St. George, and if any person had applyd for their
assistance to be sent over as a Charity School mist-
-ress as you signify to be most wanted, I am sure

they

they would with pleasure have given any such person all y^e assistance they could.

The Society are not a little concern'd to understand that M^r Wendey is the only Chaplain now left in India, and hope the Hon^ble Person in those Settlem^ts where they have been allow'd, will not omitt to make their application to the Comp^a for others to be sent in stead of those Dead or Remov'd.

It may well be thought too forming in the Society to put the Company in mind of an affair so nice as that wherein there own honour & regard to Religion are so much concern'd, & therefore such an application from the Society cannot be expected, ~~till the Company shall think fit to desire~~

May God reward all y^e good Offices for promoting his Glory with Success in this world & endless happiness in the next is the earnest prayer of

Gentlemen Y^r most obed^t humble
Serv^t H. N.

P. S.

I have herewith sent the original Rec^t of Capt^n Wakefield, Mate for the things in the Nightingal. & beg y^r pardon if I give offense by writing to you jointly partly to save my self trouble, under a great hurry but cheifly because I have only the same things ~~all~~ ~~formerly~~ to recomend to y^r care.

The Remittances this year from Denmark is supposd go in a Ship from Copenhagen.

To Wm Jennings Esq. 72
Govr. of Fort St. David.

Wid. Temple
16. Feb. 1721/2

By the Nightingal Capn Alexr Harkett Commander.

Mr. sent also a Copy by another Ship enclosing a Copy of H. Ns. Right Hon. Letr. to the Missionaries & a short Postscript to each dated 19. Feb.

Hond. Sr. I receiv'd your obliging Letters of the 3d. of Sept. & 16. Decr. 1728. and communicated them to the Society who are very much obliged to you for the continuance of your kind offices in behalf of the Missionaries at Tranquebar for promoting Christian knowledge at Fort St. George & Fort St. David. 'Tis a great discouragemt. the Mission labours under at present from the death of Messrs Ziegenbalg & Grundler whose Talents did so extraordinarily qualify them for the Service, but the same God who raised them up & endow'd them with those Gifts is still at hand & not less able to raise up others as capable, when he pleases, to carry on what they so successfully began.

The Society have wrote to Denmark & Germany to exhort their Friends there to think speedily of proper means for repairing this loss, and to assure them that they will concurr in furthering, in their power for sending over & supporting more Labourers in the work of the Mission, but you know the Instrumts. for such a Service are not easily found, nor to be chosen, and therefore I hope by the next Fleet you may hear of a supply, if God pleases to bless our Endeavours.

The things sent over this year are shipp'd on the Nightingal & recommended to the care of Messrs Wendey & Hugonin at Fort St. George. In the Chest mark'd S D. No. 1. there is a packet directed to yr. good self consisting of the books mentioned in the enclosed Memorand. of wch. the Society pray yr. acceptance to distribute among those under yr. Comand.

When you were visited with the great Drought you mention in your

in y^r last Letter. Pray had it any effect upon them
= then to dispose them to call on God for Rain, and how
resign'd were they to the want of it. I remember in
New Engld when they are often afflicted with drought the
Indians leave ~~often~~ acknowledg'd that the Englishman's God
was ~~much~~ kinder than their because when they had tyr'd
themselves with ~~powwowing~~ as they call it, for rain, &
had none, the English no sooner appointed a Solemn
Fast to implore God for Rain, but ~~the~~ before they could
~~after~~ their Petitions the Heavens gather'd rain and
by gentle Showers refresh'd the ground in a manner
very agreable to the Husbandman, & so surprizing to the
dispairing Indians, that ~~several of those Sachems~~ this among
other things contributed very much to dispose them to leave
off paying a ceremony ~~worship~~ more like con=
=juration than the worship of the true God.
of the Devil
I have mention'd this because if there has been any thing
like it in India it will be a satisfaction to you to have to
be inform'd of it.
I doubt not but Mr. Jennings writes to you of the
welfare of y^r Children, and that S^r Geo. Cook stands
for ~~a Member of Parliament~~ Sheriff of the Shire in Midd^x who
promis'd me to get a Letter from his Lady for you,
wh. goes, it may be with Mr. Jennings' Letters.
I am Honored S^r y^r most obliged
humble Serv^t
H. N.

To the Hon^ble
Nathaniel Blunt Esq^r Mid. Temple
Gov^r of Fort S^t George. 17. Feb^y 1721/2

By the Nightingal Capt. Wm Markell Commander...

Honored S^r. Above is Copy of what I had the
Honour to write to you in April last, which I hope
taken ye liberty to repeat by the ~~Ship~~ Nightingal
& to assure you that I am with great respect
Honored S^r y^r most obed. humble Serv^t
H. Newman

Mr. Zachariah Lee Mercht
at Fort St. George.

Wind. Temple
17. Feb. 171½

Sr. Nightingal
Capt. Wm Mackett
Commander.

Dear. I rec'd yrs kind Letter of the 19th of Dec. 1720. and com'ni cated to the Society, who were glad thereby to hear of yr. welfare, though it brought to them the unwelcome news of W. Grundler's Death, by wch dispensation of Providence & W. Zeigenbalg's Death, also a great cloud has overwhelmed the affairs of the Mission, which the Society hope may in time clear up, by the Improvem.ts those Gent. remaining at Tranquebar may make in the Tamul, and by such helps as they from hence may get another year be ready to be sent to India: But all this being in the hand of an overruling Providence it is not perhaps proper to give you any expectation till the Society know what Germany & Denmark will do, to whom they have wrote very pressingly to take some measures for repairing the great loss which has happened.

There are 2. Packets for you put up in the Missionaries Chest S.D.N°1. recommended to W. Hugonin, one from the Society & the other from W. Boehm & who I suppose will write to you by this conveyance. I made yr. compliment to all the Members named in yr Letter who all desired their service might be return'd to you. I think all yr. Old acquaintance known to me are yet living except our worthy Bro. W. Yate of Islington who dyd this morn: of an Apoplectick fit in his Chair, a great loss to the Soc. for Reformation as well as to his particular friends & are very numerous. May God pro-

= you

God grant we may be ready
~~to follow him~~ to follow him as we must sooner or
later do, and if it be our lot never to see each other
in this world I hope we may hereafter at y^e
general rendezvous of blessed Spirits to wch may
God of his infinite mercy bring us, is the wish
of

Dear S^r & S^r your humble Serv^t

H. N.

W^m Bell tells me this morn:
that ~~Lady~~ has put
up ~~her~~ packet of Letters
~~for~~ in the Society's
packet of books for wch
I blame him because they
will be longer coming to y^r hand.
W^m Hunter particularly sends his humble Service
to you.

To the R^t Hon^ble the
Lord Percival

Wind. Temple
23. Feb^y 172½

My Lord

The Society for Promoting X^tian
Knowledge at their ~~last~~ meeting unanimously chose
My D^r Paisley a Member and desire your Lordship
will be pleased to invite Him ~~by~~ to their next
meeting, or when it may be with his or y^r
Lordships Conveniency to honour them with y^r
Company.

I have enclosed a Copy of their
Rules wch his ~~D^y~~ may be desirous to see before
he gives his Company.

And am to desire y^r ~~L^ps~~
Pardon that I forgot ~~last night~~ to put the Chair-
man in mind of chosing a Chairman for 6 months
before